



# Magnets for the Mu2e experiment

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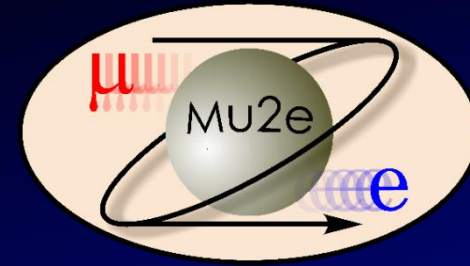
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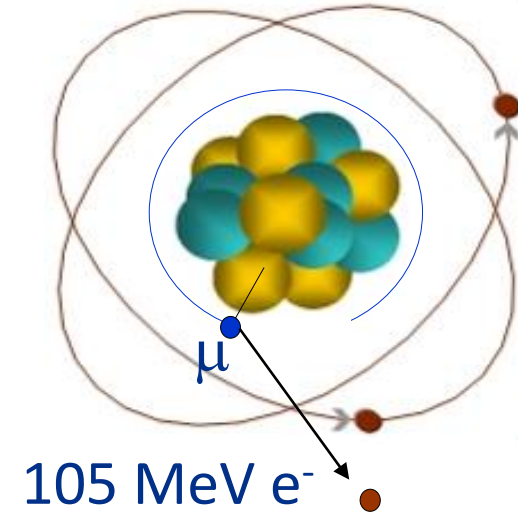
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# Mu2e Experiment Goal

- Search for Charged Lepton Flavor Violation (CLFV) via the coherent conversion of



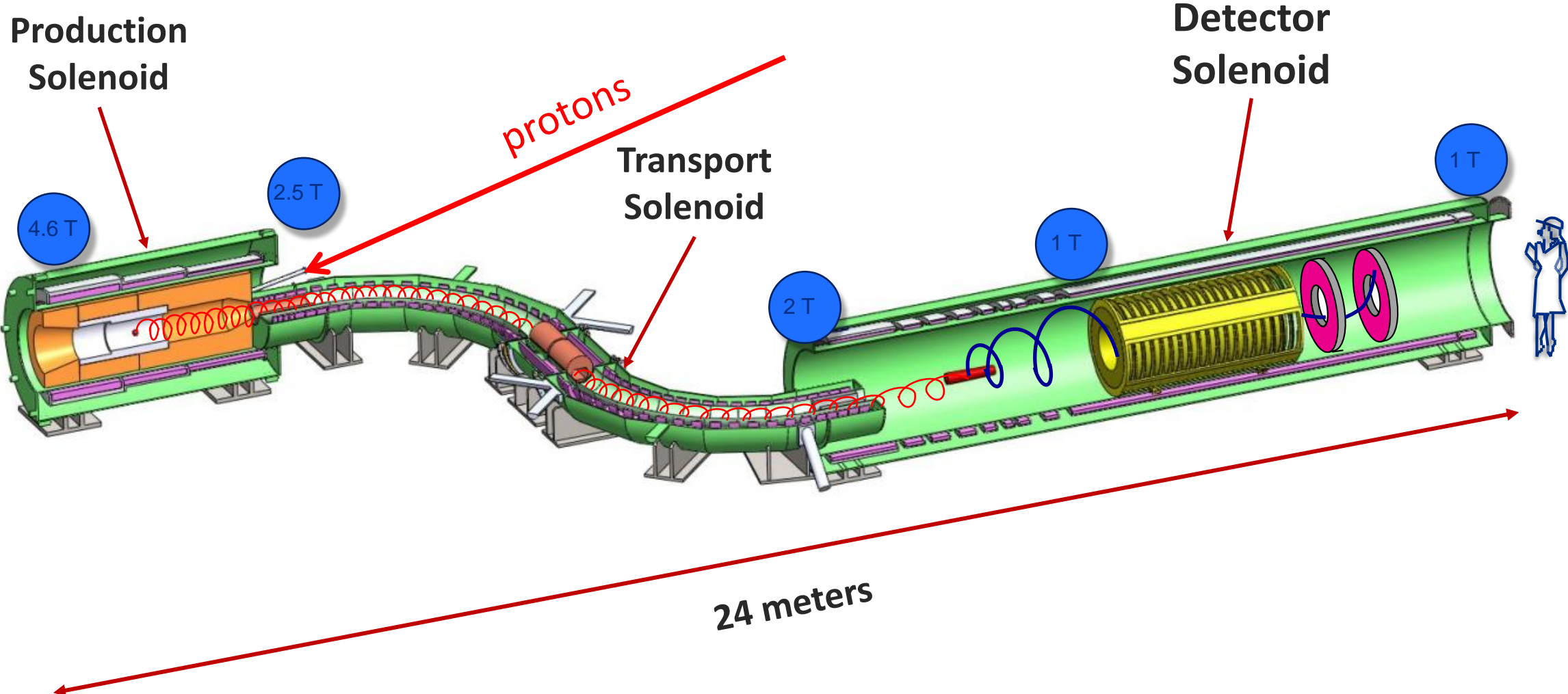
- 4 orders of magnitude greater sensitivity than previous experiments
- If discovered, unambiguous evidence of physics beyond the Standard Model



## Mu2e Strategy

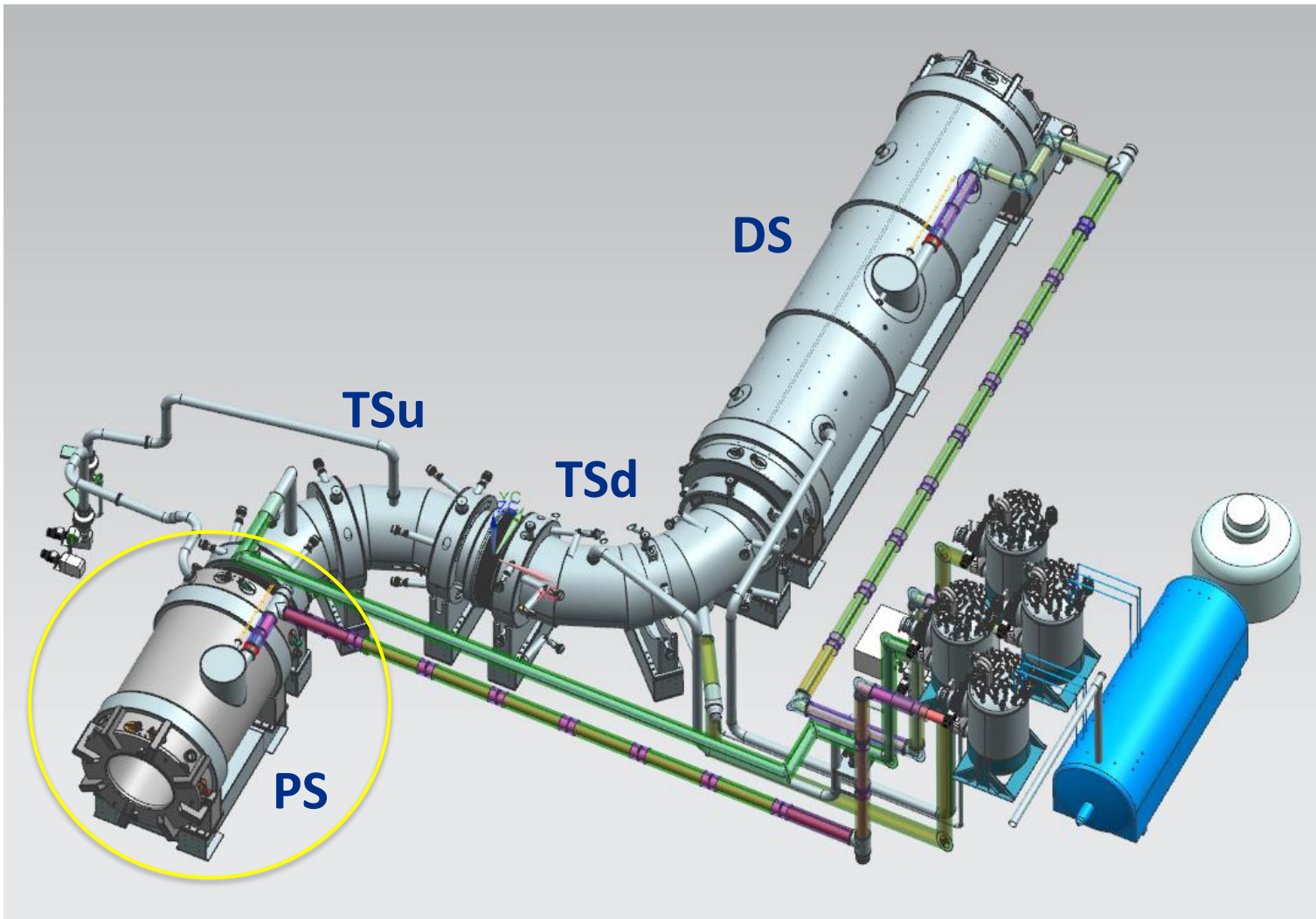
- Create muonic atoms: stop muons in orbit around an aluminum nucleus
- Look for events consistent with the signal
  - 105 MeV electron emanating from target
  - Clean experimental signature

# The Mu2e Experiment: 3 solenoids provide magnetic field



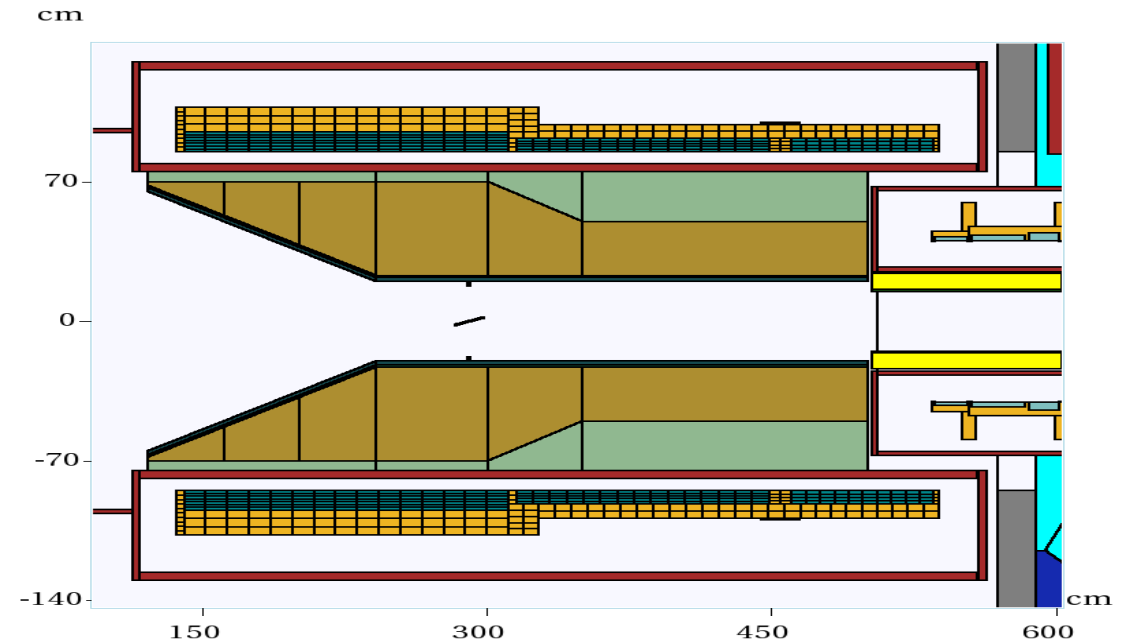
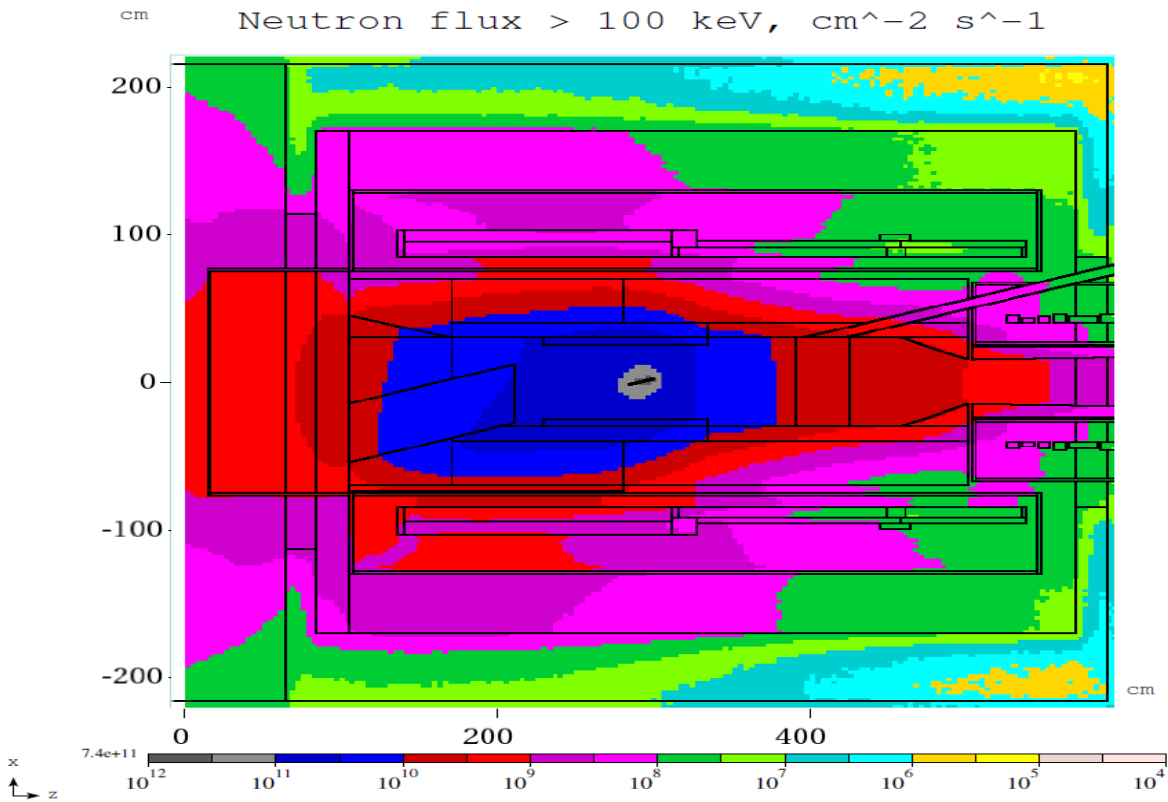


# Production Solenoid (PS)



- 1.5 m warm bore, 4 m long
- 4.6 T to 2.5 T axial field
- Operating current  $\sim 9\text{kA}$
- 3 coils with 3-2-2 layers
- High-strength aluminum stabilized NbTi superconductor (similar to ATLAS Central Solenoid)
- 5083-O aluminum outer support shells
- 5N aluminum thermal bridges to extract radiation heat
- Thermal Siphon Cooling
- Warm bore supports 55-ton Heat and Radiation Shield

# Unique PS feature: neutron radiation environment



It is expected that RRR will degrade after one year of operation to the following critical values:

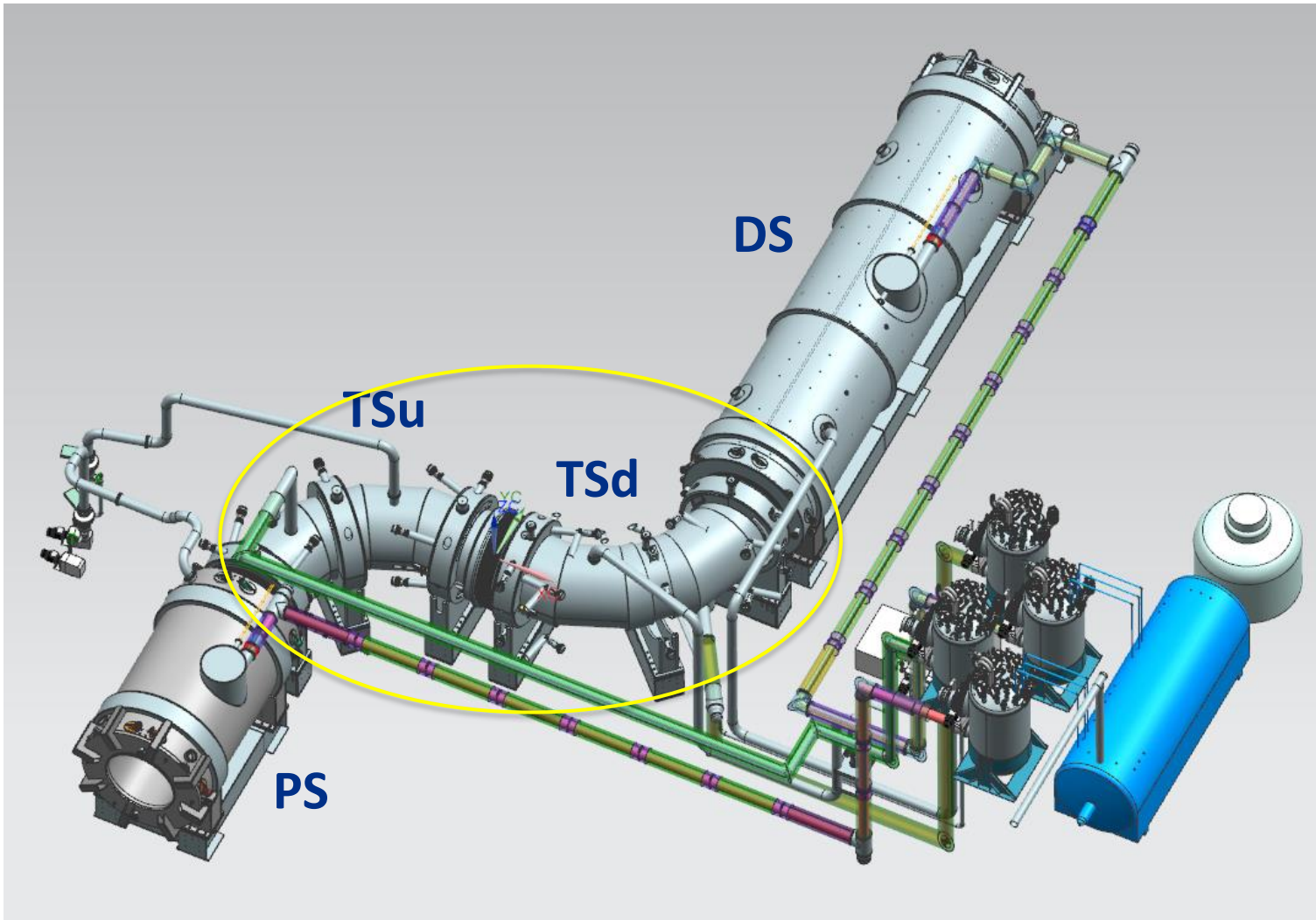
- Aluminum RRR 500 → 100;
- Copper RRR 100 → 50;

Once the critical degradation is detected (by RRR gauges on the coil), the magnet will be thermo-cycled to room temperature that recovers the RRR:

- 100% recovery for aluminum
- 85% recovery for copper

Parameter	Unit	Value
Peak absorbed dose	kGy/yr	240
Peak power density	μW/g	13
Total CM dynamic heat load	W	28
Peak DPA	1/yr	2.5·10 <sup>-5</sup>

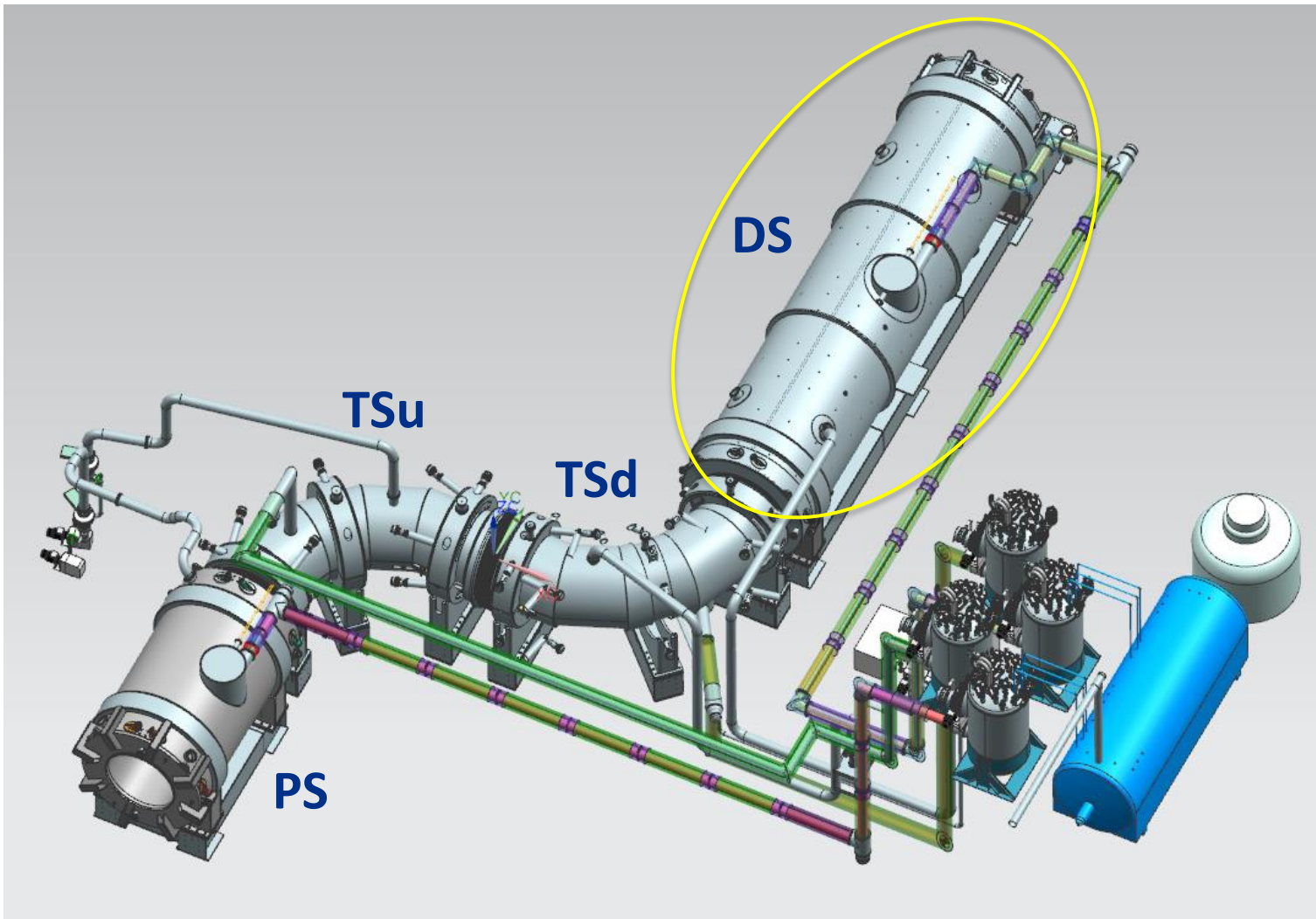
# Transport Solenoid (TS)



- 500 mm warm bore, 13 m long arch length
- 2.5 T at PS interface, 2.0 T at DS interface
- Monotonic negative gradient in straight sections
- Matching Toroidal fields for background suppression
- Unique magnetic field is formed by 52 SC solenoid coils organized into two cryostats: TSu and TSd.
- Each cryostat is powered by a separate 2kA power supply



# Detector Solenoid (DS)



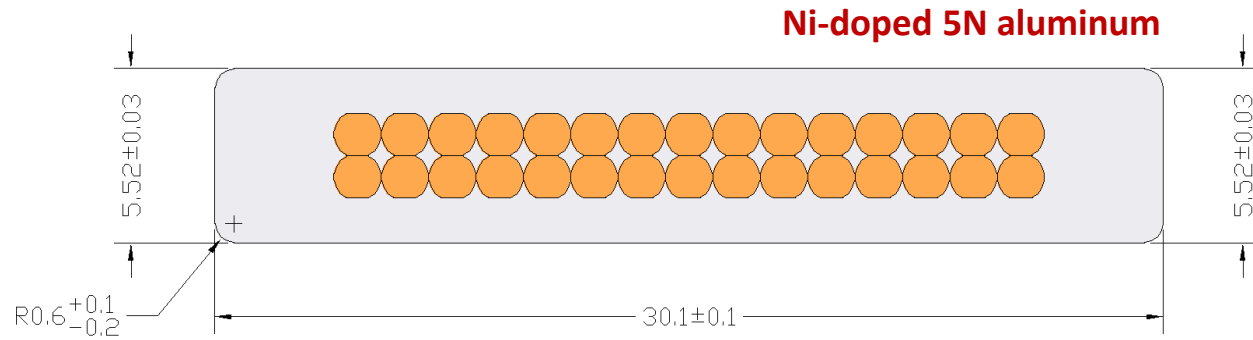
- 1.9 m warm bore, 10 m long
- Gradient Section 2T to 1 T field
- Spectrometer Section 1 T field with small axial gradient superimposed to reduce backgrounds
- Operating current  $\sim 6\text{kA}$
- 11 coils in total
- Axial spacers in Gradient Section
- Spectrometer section made in 3 sections to simplify fabrication and reduce cost
- Magnet technology similar to PS



# Magnet status at a glance

- The magnet design work is complete
  - Reference and Technical Designs
- All aluminum-stabilized cables were fabricated by 2 vendors
  - QA and acceptance testing performed by vendors and Fermilab
- PS and DS magnets
  - are being built by a single vendor
  - Fermilab provides oversight and final acceptance testing
- TS magnet
  - all coil modules were fabricated by one vendor
  - coil acceptance testing performed by Fermilab
  - cold mass assembly completed at Fermilab
  - thermal shield and vacuum vessel assembly in progress at Fermilab

# PS cable

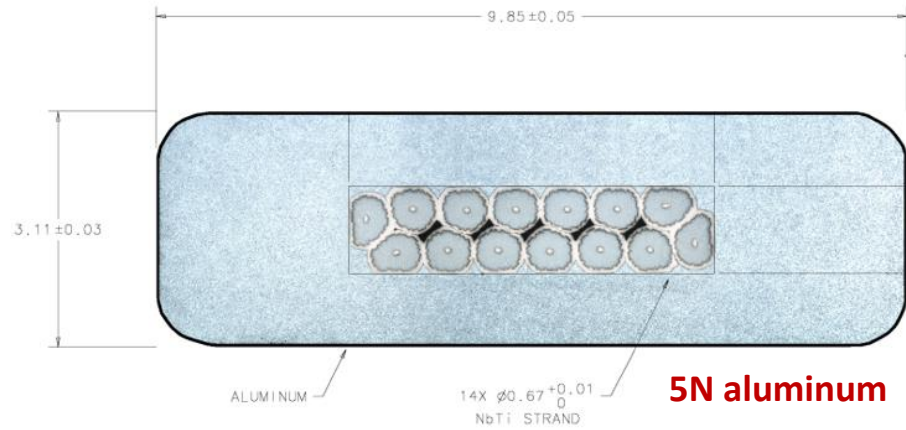


Parameter	Unit	Value	Tolerance
Cable critical current at 5.0T, 4.22K	kA	≥66.2	
Cable critical current at 5.0T, 6.60K	kA	≥9.2	
NbTi filament diameter	μm	<40	
Strand diameter at 293K	mm	1.466	±0.005
Number of strands	-	30	
Strand Cu/non-Cu ratio	-	0.90	±0.05
RRR of Cu matrix	-	≥100	
RRR of Al stabilizer	-	≥500	
0.2% yield strength of Al stabilizer at 4.2K/293K	MPa	≥80/60	
Shear strength of Al-Cu bond at 293K	MPa	≥40	
Overall cable width at 293K	mm	30.1	±0.1
Overall cable minor edge thickness at 293K	mm	5.52	±0.03
Total delivered cable length	km	≥14.4	



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# TS cable



Conductor Parameter	Unit	Design Value
Cable critical current at 5T, 4.22K	A	5900
Number of strands		14
Strand diameter	mm	0.67
Strand copper/SC ratio		1 ± 0.05
RRR of Cu matrix		> 90
Filament size	µm	< 30
Strand twist pitch	mm	15 ± 2
Rutherford cable width	mm	4.79 ± 0.01
Rutherford cable thickness	mm	1.15 ± 0.006
Al-stabilized cable width (bare) at room temperature	mm	9.85 ± 0.05
Al-stabilized cable thickness (bare) at room temperature	mm	3.11 ± 0.03
Initial RRR of Aluminum stabilizer		> 800
Aluminum 0.2% yield strength at 300 K	MPa	> 30
Aluminum 0.2% yield strength at 4.2 K	MPa	> 40
Shear strength between Aluminum and NbTi strands	MPa	> 20

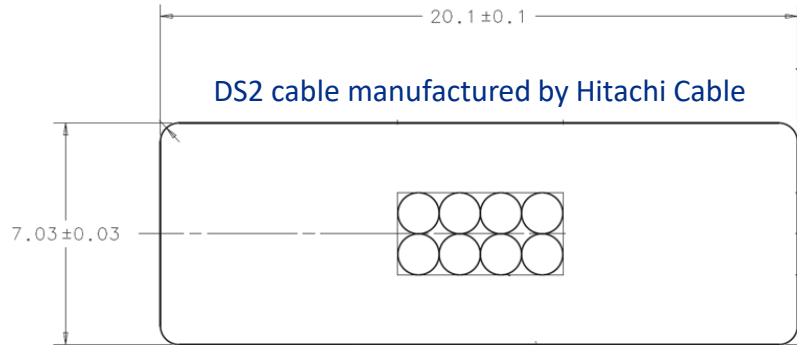
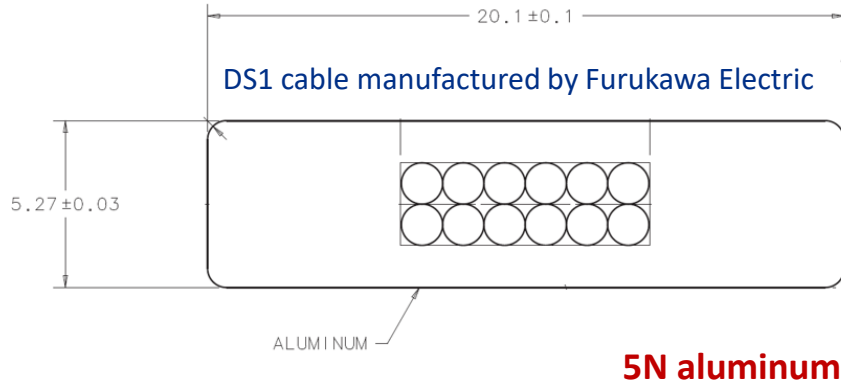
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# DS cable



DETECTOR SOLENOID 1 AL-STABILIZED CABLE MAIN PARAMETERS

Quantity	As designed
Aluminum Stabilizer	99.998%
Cable width at 293 K	$20.1 \pm 0.1$ mm
Cable thickness at 293 K	$5.27 \pm 0.03$ mm
Cable $I_c$ at 5 T, 4.22 K	$\geq 25000$ A
Copper RRR	$\geq 80$
Aluminum RRR after cold-work	$\geq 800$
Al 0.2% yield strength at 293 K	$\geq 30$ MPa
Al 0.2% yield strength at 4.2 K	$\geq 40$ MPa
Al-Cu Shear Strength at 293 K	$\geq 20$ MPa

DETECTOR SOLENOID 2 AL-STABILIZED CABLE MAIN PARAMETERS

Quantity	As designed
Aluminum Stabilizer	99.998%
Cable width at 293 K	$20.1 \pm 0.1$ mm
Cable thickness at 293 K	$7.03 \pm 0.03$ mm
Cable $I_c$ at 5 T, 4.22 K	$\geq 12500$ A
Copper RRR	$\geq 100$
Aluminum RRR after cold-work	$\geq 800$
Al 0.2% yield strength at 293 K	$\geq 30$ MPa
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Al-Cu Shear Strength at 293 K	$\geq 20$ MPa

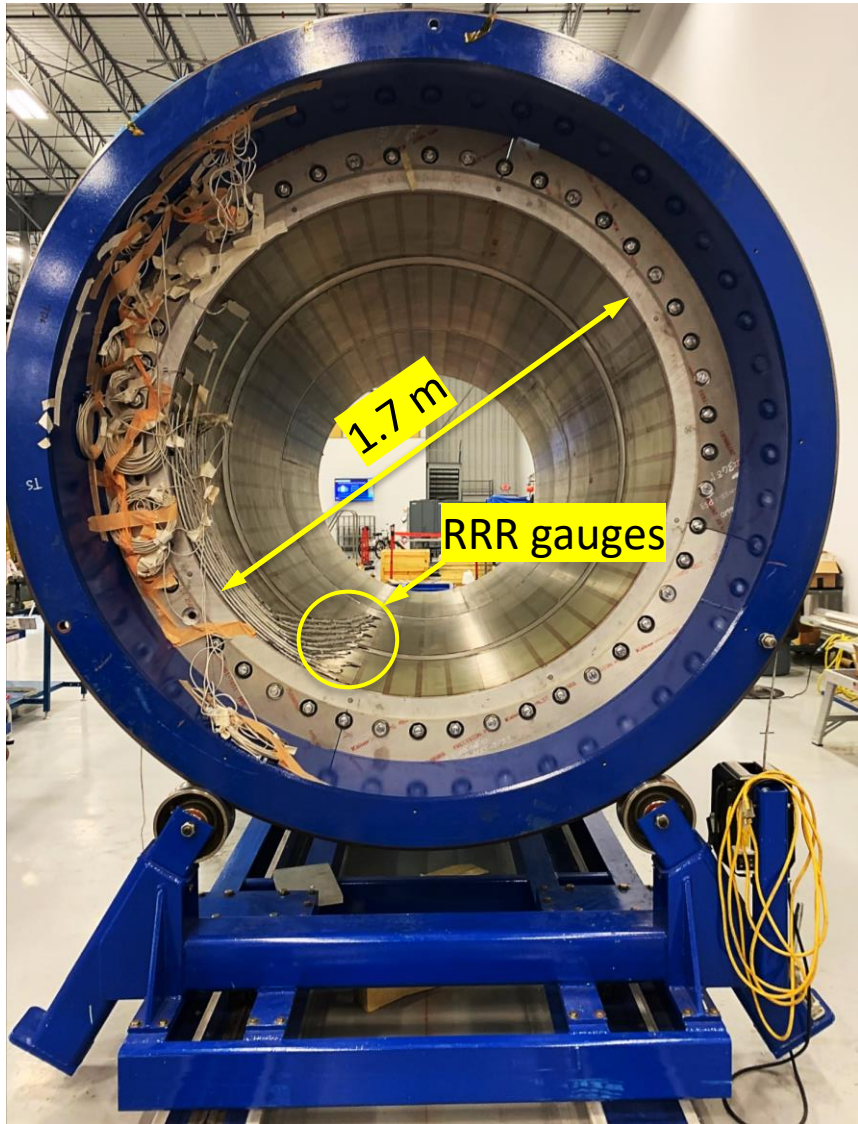
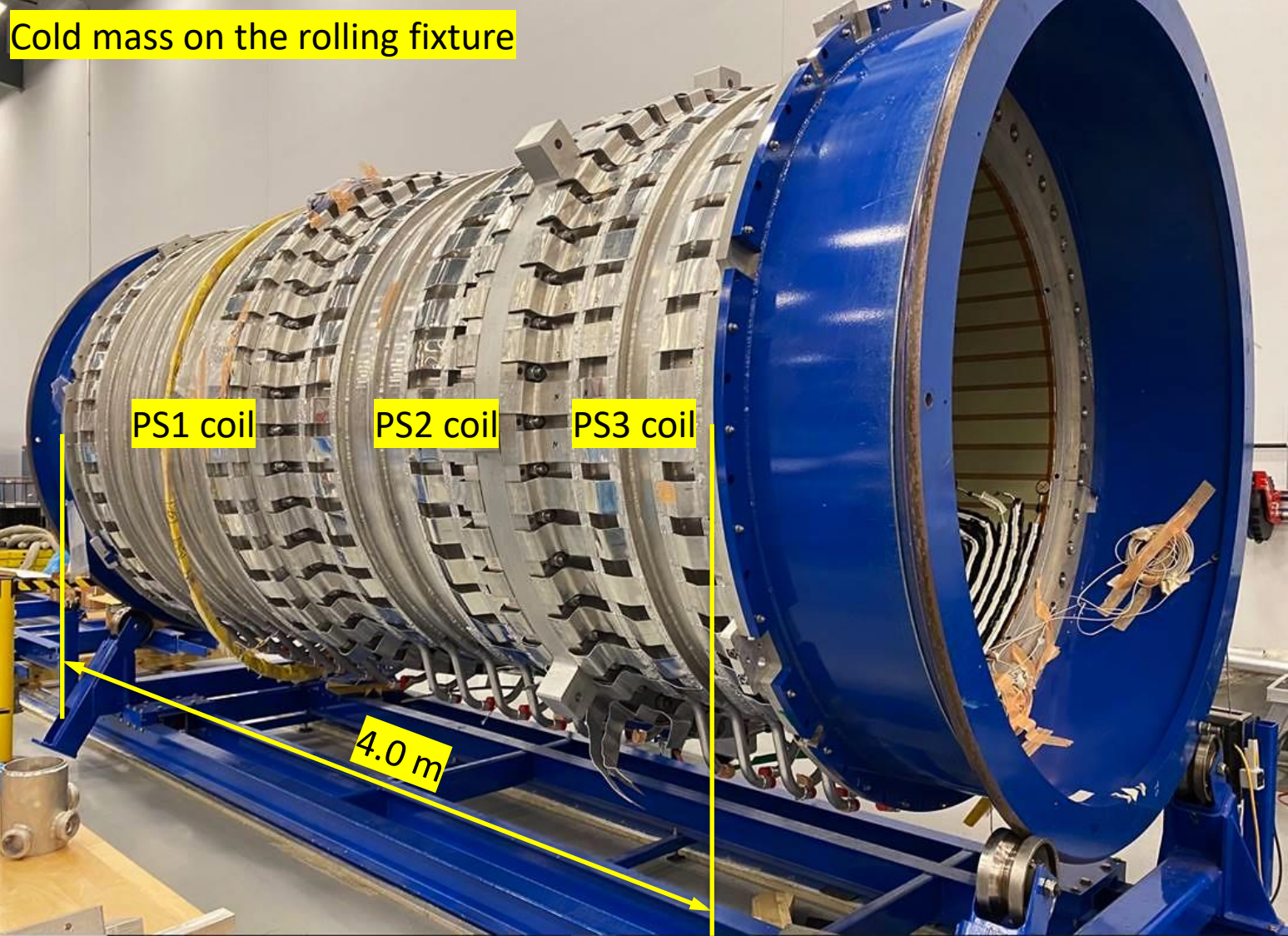


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# PS fabrication: cold mass assembly

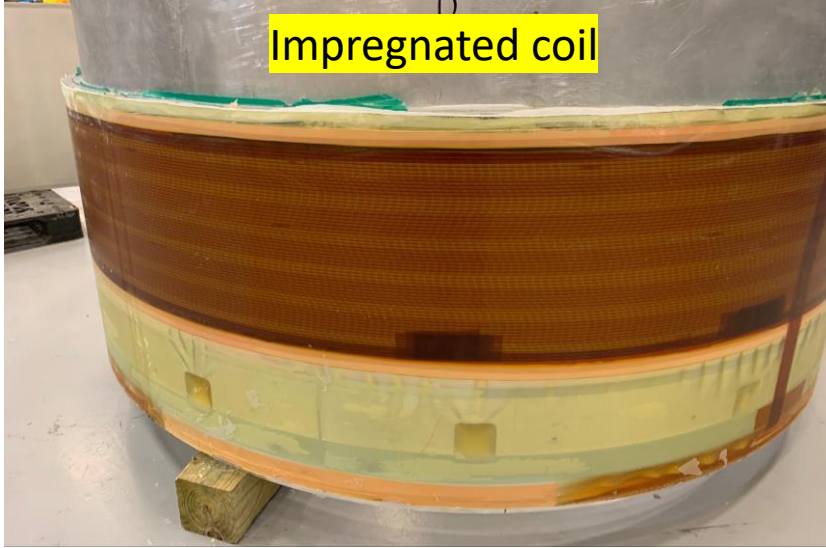
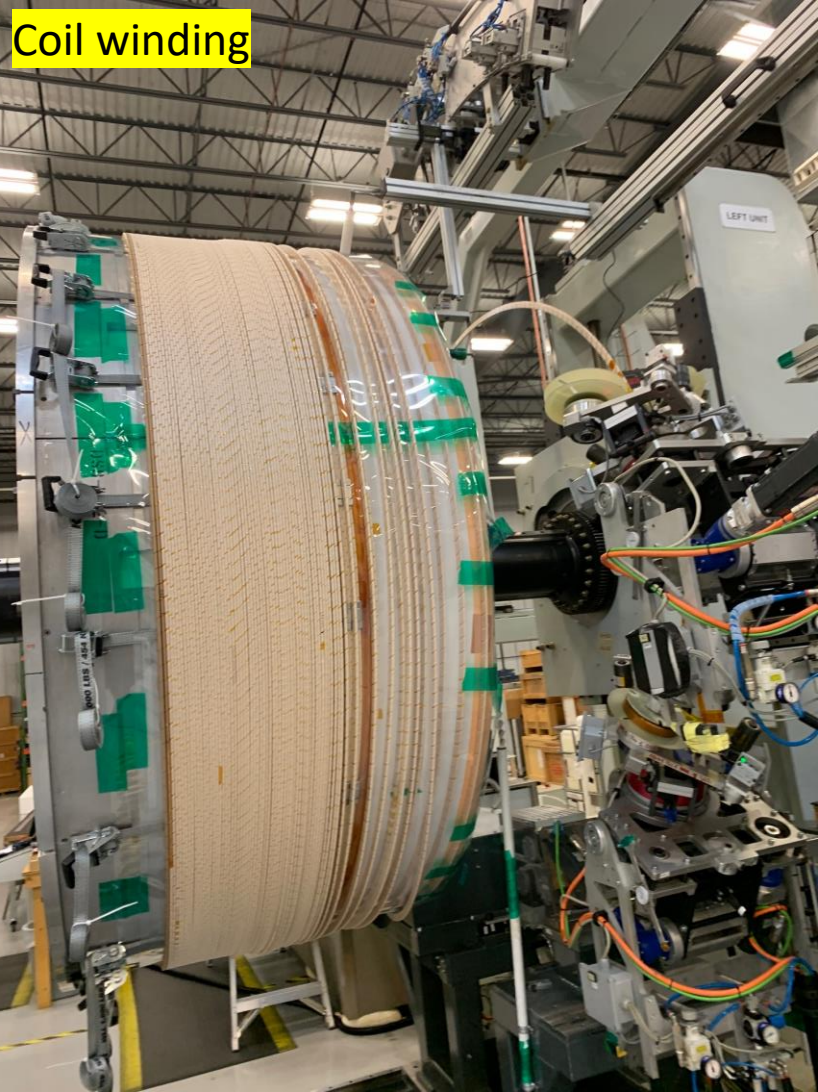


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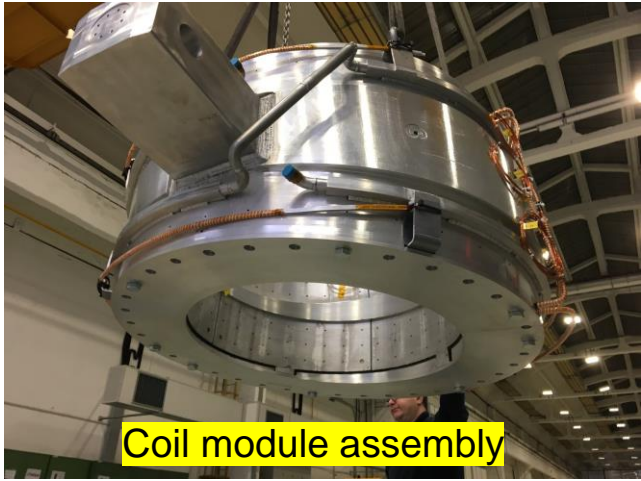
# DS fabrication: coil production



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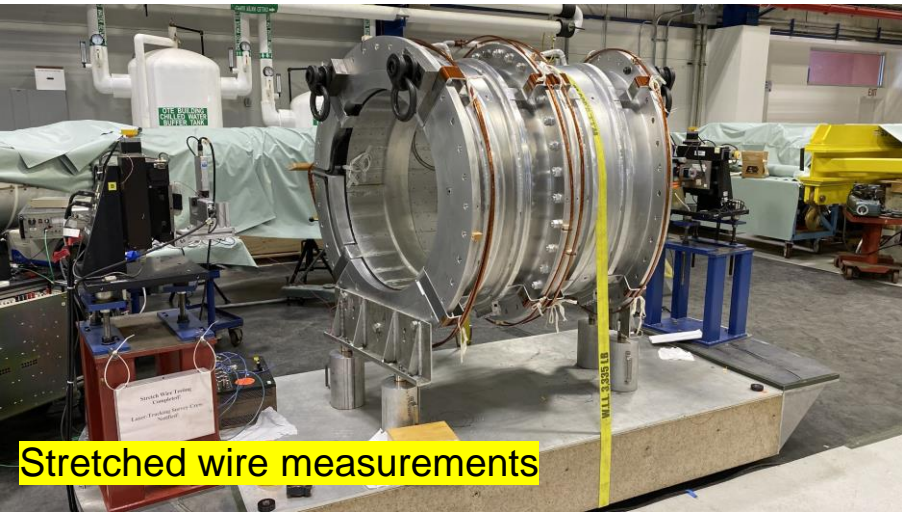
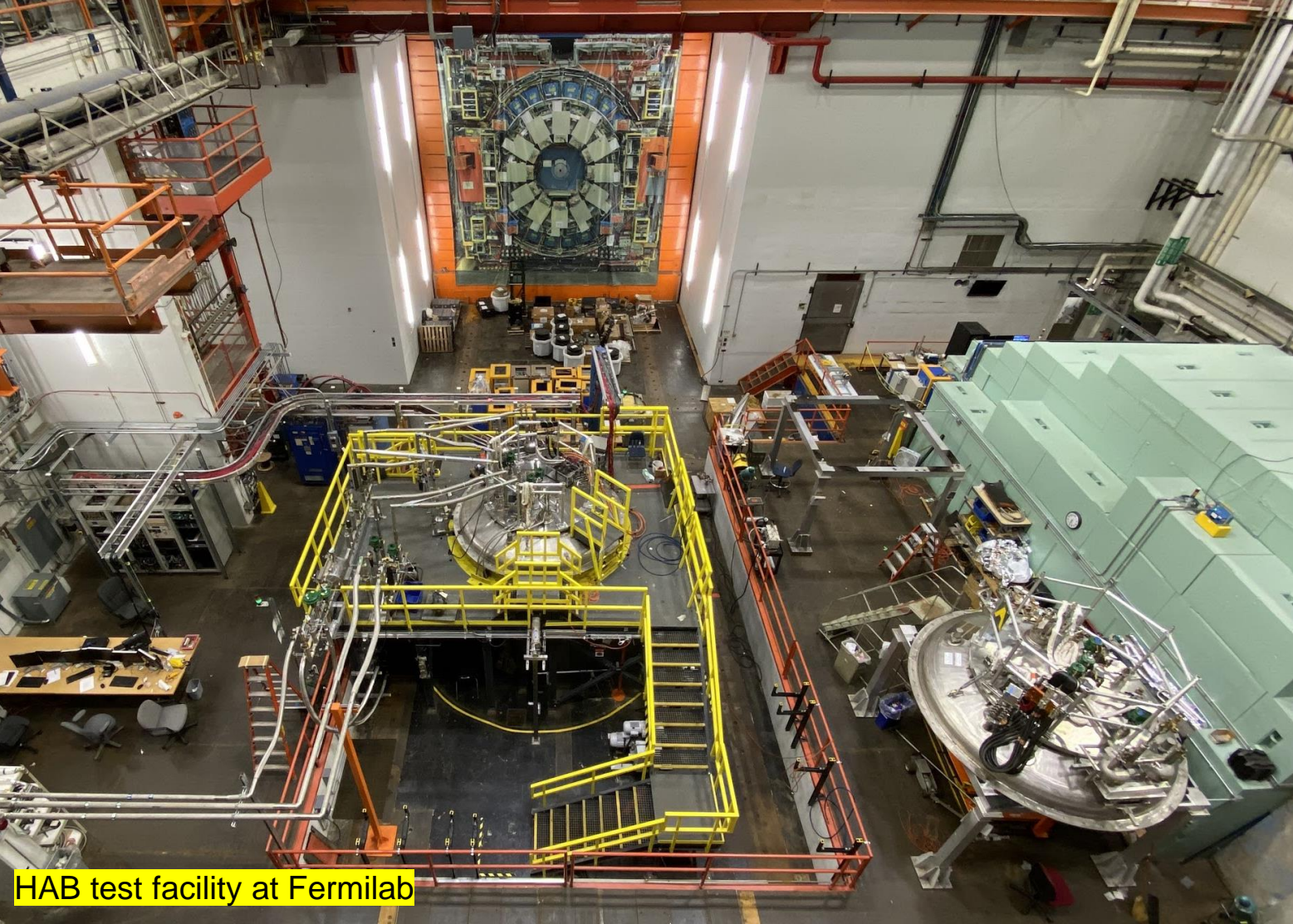
# TS cold mass fabrication successfully completed



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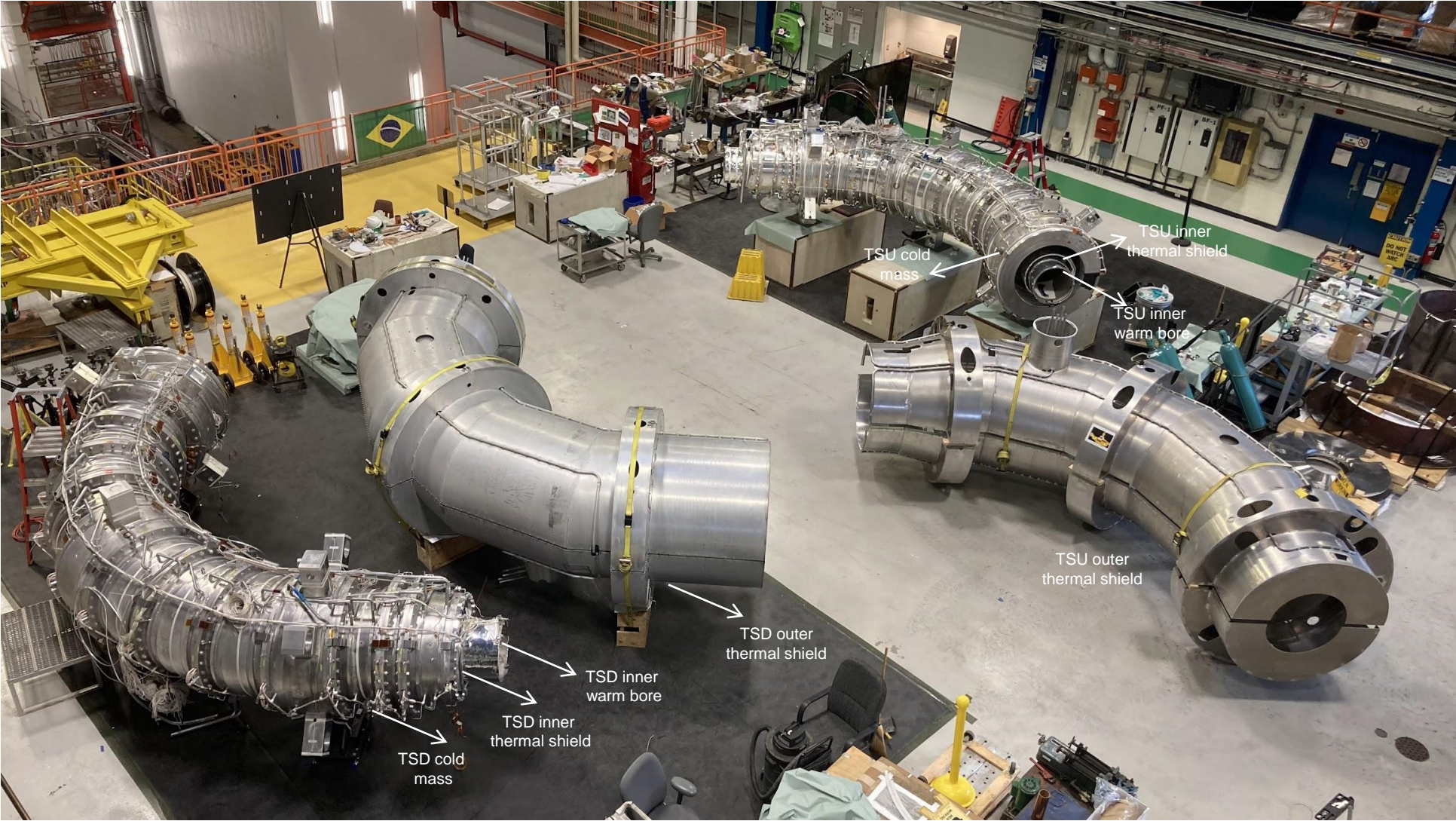


# TS coil acceptance testing successfully completed





# TS cold mass and thermal shield assembly at Fermilab





# Current status of TS assembly at Fermilab



# Planning for the future: Mu2e-II

Mu2e-II is a natural evolution of Mu2e that provides the nearest-term next step in a possible muon program at Fermilab. After the PIP-II linac construction, Mu2e-II will have access to 100 kW proton beam vs. 8 kW beam in Mu2e experiment. It allows an order of magnitude gain in sensitivity and discovery reach over Mu2e. The main challenge for the magnetic system is that PS magnet will see a proportional increase of the neutron radiation load coming from the production target.

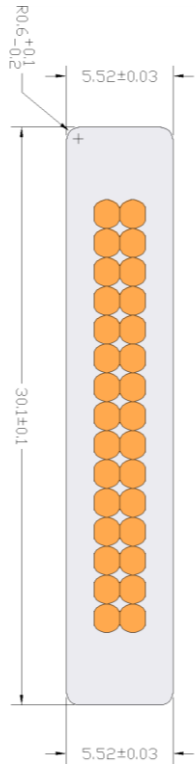
- The Mu2e PS magnet likely has to be replaced
- The magnet and the cooling system should be redesigned to cope with a factor of ten higher heat load
  - Conduction cooling no longer seems to be an option
  - Direct cooling by LHe may be the only feasible solution to extract the heat from the coils
- Cable-in-Conduit Conductor (CICC) could be a natural choice; however, it has several drawbacks:
  - High-density materials (Cu for the stabilizer and SS for the conduit). Would triple the heat dissipations and the load on the cryo-system comparing with the Al-stabilized conductors;
  - May have to use Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn (expensive and difficult to work with) instead of NbTi to cope with the higher thermal load;
  - RRR of Cu permanently degrades under neutron irradiation, while RRR of Al completely recovers during a thermo-cycle;

For these reasons, a different technical solution is being considered for Mu2e-II



# Mu2e-II solution: internally-cooled aluminum stabilized cable

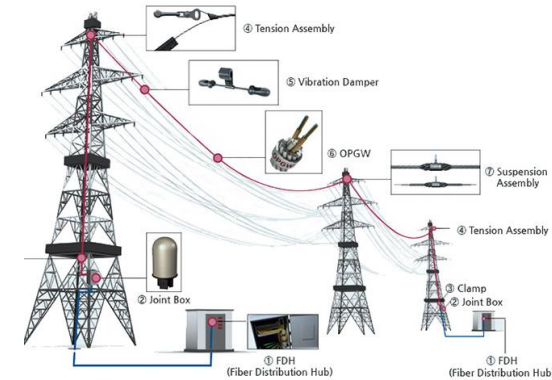
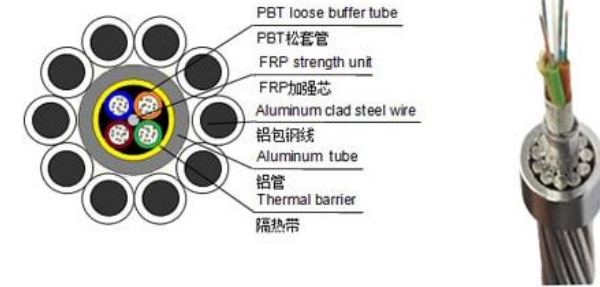
Regular Al-stabilized cable



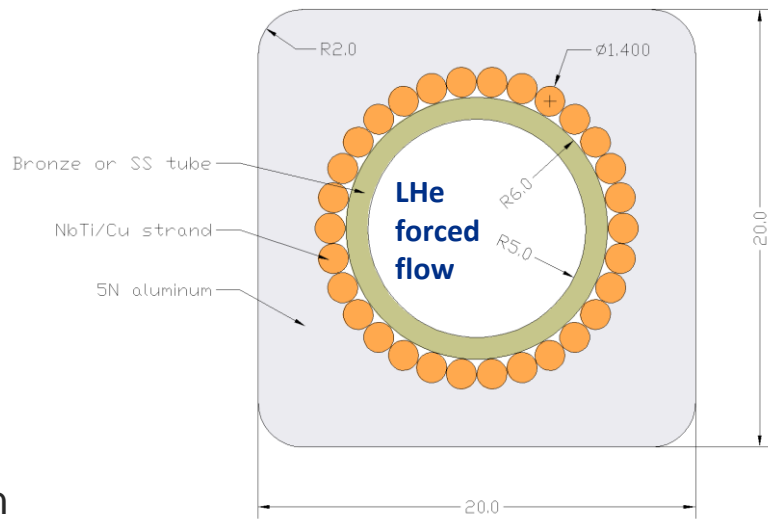
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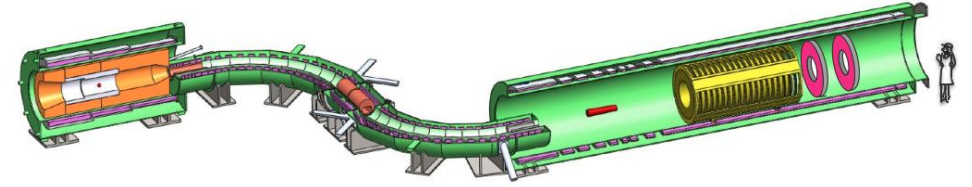
- Nearly direct cooling of superconductor by LHe
- Mostly low-density materials
- No permanent stabilizer degradation under irradiation



- OPGW fabrication technology serves as an example that it can be done
- Still requires a dedicated R&D with cable vendor to develop a proof of principle cable
- A preferred solution for Mu2e-II



# Summary



- The Mu2e experiment is to search for Charged Lepton Flavor Violation to probe the physics beyond the Standard Model.
- The Mu2e magnet system consists of three solenoid magnets that use four types of aluminum-stabilized cables to meet the physics requirements.
- The magnet construction is well under way.
- Mu2e-II is being considered as a natural successor of Mu2e. It is a challenging upgrade that will require a dedicated cable and magnet R&D.